

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 9 – SB 344**

February 23, 2015

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Increases, from 30 to 90 days, the period of time during which a General Assembly member is prohibited from using state funds to pay for mass mailings prior to any election in which the member's name appears on the ballot.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

**Assumptions:**

- According to the Office of Legislative Administration (OLA), in 2014 a total of \$132,736 was spent on mass mailings during the 60-day timeframe that would now be prohibited as a result of this bill.
- Members would continue to send out correspondence to their constituents by moving the mailing dates to a time before the 90-day prohibition period. As a result, the fiscal impact of the proposed bill would be not significant.
- The OLA would see a shift in the timeframe for mass mailing expenditures rather than a savings.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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